
HOUSE BILL No. 1590

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-41-39.4.

Synopsis: Reports concerning adult lead poisoning. Authorizes the state department of health (department) to determine the magnitude of lead poisoning in all Indiana residents. (Current law provides that the department's authority is limited to children who are six years of age or younger.) Requires the report to the department on an individual's examination for lead poisoning to include the name of the individual's employer and the employer's address. Allows the department to report certain information about the examination of an individual's blood for the presence of lead to specified local health departments and the department of labor's bureau of safety education and training. Prohibits the department from reporting the information to the department of labor's occupational safety and health division.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 16, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-41-39.4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. The state department
3 may do the following:

4 (1) Determine the magnitude of lead poisoning in Indiana's
5 ~~children who are not more than six (6) years of age.~~ **residents.**

6 (2) Provide consultation and education to a medical provider
7 network that screens for lead poisoning throughout Indiana.

8 (3) Receive and analyze blood samples or assist regional lab sites
9 to receive and analyze blood samples for lead poisoning.

10 (4) Develop and maintain a database of unduplicated children
11 with lead poisoning.

12 (5) Provide consultation to local health departments regarding
13 medical case follow-up and environmental inspections connected
14 to reducing the incidence of lead poisoning.

15 (6) Coordinate lead exposure detection activities with local health
16 departments.

17 (7) Coordinate with the Indiana Minority Health Coalition for



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1 outreach programs regarding lead poisoning.

2 (8) Notify and update pediatricians and family practice physicians
3 of lead hazards in a timely fashion.

4 (9) Provide consumer alerts and consumer education regarding
5 lead hazards, including those associated with mini-blinds.

6 SECTION 2. IC 16-41-39.4-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.99-2002,
7 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
8 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. A person that examines the blood of ~~a child less~~
9 ~~than seven (7) years of age~~ **an individual described in section 2 of**
10 **this chapter** for the presence of lead must report to the state
11 department the results of the examination not later than one (1) week
12 after completing the examination. The report must include at least the
13 following:

14 (1) With respect to the ~~child~~ **individual** whose blood is examined:

15 (A) the name;

16 (B) the date of birth;

17 (C) the gender;

18 (D) the race; ~~and~~

19 (E) **the name of the individual's employer, if any; and**

20 (F) any other information that is required to be included to
21 qualify to receive federal funding.

22 (2) With respect to the examination:

23 (A) the date;

24 (B) the type of blood test performed;

25 (C) the person's normal limits for the test;

26 (D) the results of the test; and

27 (E) the person's interpretation of the results of the test.

28 (3) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of:

29 (A) the person; and

30 (B) the attending physician, hospital, clinic, or other specimen
31 submitter.

32 SECTION 3. IC 16-41-39.4-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
33 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
34 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) **The state department may**
35 **provide the information reported under section 3 of this chapter to**
36 **the following:**

37 (1) **The local health department located where the individual**
38 **resides or is employed.**

39 (2) **The department of labor's bureau of safety education and**
40 **training.**

41 (b) **The state department may not share the information**
42 **reported under section 3 of this chapter with the department of**

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1 **labor's occupational safety and health division.**

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